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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/700,375
Filing Date	January 4, 2001
First Named Inventor	Eckhard Puerkner
Group Art Unit	1733
Examiner Name	Goff II, John L.
Attorney Docket Number	H3413 PCT/US (646-115)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
 - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - Other _____
- b. Enclosed
- Amendment/Reply 08/05/2003 DTESEM1 00000097 09700375
 - Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:1801 750.00 OP
 - Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) 02 FC:1202 54.00 OP
 - Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

- b. Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 04-1121
- RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - Other _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$ 750 & \$110 enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Michael E. Carmen	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	43,533
Signature		Date	August 1, 2003

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.14

Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted together with a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced case in response to the Advisory Action dated June 3, 2003 and the final Office Action, dated November 4, 2002, finally rejecting Claims 1-24. In response thereto, please amend the subject application as follows:

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